

Aller and the near future

CHAPITRE 5

In English You can use the present progressive form of the verb **to go** with an infinitive of another verb to talk about the **near future**.

We **are going to eat** some ice cream.

I **am going to buy** some clothes.

In these sentences, the verb phrases **are going** and **am going** place the action of the sentence in the future. The action verbs **to eat** and **to buy**, in their infinitive forms, tell what someone *is going to do*.

Of course, you can also use the verb **to go** to tell where you are going. In such sentences, the verb is followed by a place rather than an infinitive of another verb.

She **is going to town** on Wednesday.

As usual, they **are going to the mall**.

A Check the appropriate column to indicate whether the sentence implies near future or simply tells where someone is going.

1. We're going to take a test on Friday.
2. Chris is going to take the train.
3. They are going to the movies.
4. My mother is going to the gym.
5. Amy is going to sing in the choir.
6. I'm going to leave in three weeks.
7. We're going to a new campground.

Near Future Where

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In French You can use the verb **aller** with a place to tell where someone is going.

Nous **allons** au parc.

Je **vais** à l'école.

You can also use **aller** with an infinitive to tell what someone is going to do or what is going to happen in the near future.

Vous **allez étudier** la géo?

Lisette **va jouer** au volley.

The verb **aller** is irregular:

je	vais	nous	allons
tu	vas	vous	allez
il/elle/on	va	ils/elles	vont

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B Check the appropriate column to indicate whether the sentence implies near future or simply tells where someone is going.

1. Nous allons à la piscine.
2. Mathilde va au musée.
3. Ils vont faire du ski.
4. Vous allez jouer au football.
5. Mes parents vont faire un pique-nique.
6. Est-ce que tu vas au stade?
7. Les filles vont à la patinoire.

Near Future	Where
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C Complete the following sentences with the correct form of *aller*.

1. Michèle ne _____ va _____ pas aller au lac.
2. Tu _____ avoir beaucoup de devoirs.
3. Vendredi, ils _____ aller au musée.
4. Vous _____ faire les magasins dimanche?
5. Nous _____ regarder un film samedi.
6. Je ne _____ pas jouer au tennis.
7. Guillaume ne _____ pas manger avec nous.

D Complete the following sentences logically, telling what the people are going to do in these places.

1. Je _____ vais nager _____ à la plage.
2. Mes amis et moi, nous _____ à la bibliothèque.
3. Marc et Brigitte _____ au café.
4. Claude _____ au cybercafé.
5. Vous _____ à la montagne.
6. Je _____ à la Maison des jeunes et de la culture.
7. Tu _____ au parc.
8. Mes parents _____ à la campagne.